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In re Application of: )  
HIROAKI SAKAI ET AL. )  
Application No.: 10/822,721 )  
Filed: April 13, 2004 )  
For: IMAGE FORMING APPARATUS )

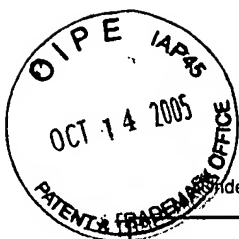
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Group Art Unit: 2852  
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<b>FEE TRANSMITTAL</b> <b>For FY 2005</b>		<b>Complete if Known</b>	
		Application Number	10/822,721
		Filing Date	April 13, 2004
		First Named Inventor	HIROAKI SAKAI ET AL.
		Examiner Name	Ryan M. Glietz
<input type="checkbox"/> Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 C.F.R. 1.27		Art Unit	2852
		Attorney Docket No.	03500.018062
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<b>1. BASIC FILING, SEARCH, AND EXAMINATION FEES</b>							
Application Type	FILING FEES		SEARCH FEES		EXAMINATION FEES		Fees Paid (\$)
	Small Entity	Small Entity	Small Entity	Small Entity	Small Entity	Small Entity	
	Fee (\$)	Fee (\$)	Fee (\$)	Fee (\$)	Fee (\$)	Fee (\$)	
Utility	300	150	500	250	200	100	
Design	200	100	100	50	130	65	
Plant	200	100	300	150	160	80	
Reissue	300	150	500	250	600	300	
<b>2. EXCESS CLAIM FEES</b>							
						Small Entity	
Fee Description						Fee (\$)	Fee (\$)
Each claim over 20 or, for Reissues, each claim over 20 and more than in the original patent						50	25
Each independent claim over 3 or, for Reissues, each independent claim more than in the original patent						200	100
Multiple dependent claims						360	180
Total Claims		Extra Claims	Fee (\$)	Fee Paid (\$)	Multiple Dependent Claims		
20 - 20 or HP = 0 x 0 = 0					Fee (\$)	Fee Paid (\$)	
HP = highest number of total claims paid for, if greater than 20					0	0	
Indep. Claims		Extra Claims	Fee (\$)	Fee Paid (\$)			
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Non-English Specification,		\$130 fee (no small entity discount)					
Other:							

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